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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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FOR: PRIMERS FOR DETECTING FUSOBACTERIUM NUCLEATUM BY PCR
METHODS AND METHODS FOR DETECTION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND STATEMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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SIR:

In response to the Office Communication mailed April 5, 2004, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begins on page 2 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this response.